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In re Application of:

Mark D. Dupuis et al. Serial No.: 10/709,644 Filed: May 19, 2004

Attorney Docket No.: BUR920040106US1

Title: YIELD IMPROVEMENT IN SILICON-GERMANIUM EPITAXIAL GROWTH DECISION ON PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

This is a decision, *sua sponte*, withdrawing the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

A Non-Final Office action was mailed on December 13, 2005 and subsequently remailed on December 28, 2005 to the applicant. In the apparent absence of a reply, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 13, 2006.

Although no petition or request to withdraw the holding of abandonment in this application has been filed, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment is withdrawn in view of the fact that the December 13 and 28, 2006 Office Actions were mailed to the applicant's old address namely, 3 Lear Jet Lane, Suite 201, Latham NY 12110. The applicant having received the Notice of Abandonment on July 13, 2006 notified the examiner that they did not receive the December 13 or 28, 2005 amendments. Consequently, the application is not abandoned in fact.

The Office Action will be remailed with the date for response restarted.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Hien H. Phan, Special Program Examiner, at (703) 308-7502.

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